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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Please delete the current statement in its entirety and insert therefor:

--This application is a Continuation-in-Part of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/378,221 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCESSING A REMOTE LOCATION BY SCANNING AN OPTICAL CODE" filed on August 19, 1999, which is a

Continuation-in-Part of the following two U.S. Patent Applications: Serial No. 09/151,471 entitled "METHOD FOR INTERFACING SCANNED PRODUCT INFORMATION WITH A SOURCE FOR THE PRODUCT OVER A GLOBAL NETWORK" filed on September 11, 1998, and Serial No. 09/151,530 entitled "METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER WITH AN AUDIO SIGNAL" filed on September 11, 1998, and issued on August 1, 2000 as U.S. Patent No. 6,098,106; the present application being related to the following pending U.S. Patent Applications: Serial No. 09/382,426 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPLETING, SECURING AND CONDUCTING AN E-COMMERCE TRANSACTION" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/382,424 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRACKING USER PROFILE AND HABITS ON A GLOBAL NETWORK" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/382,425 entitled "MÉTHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIRECTING AN EXISTING PRODUCT CODE TO A REMOTE LOCATION" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/382,373 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LAUNCHING A WEB SITE WITH A NON-STANDARD CONTROL INPUT DEVICE" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/382,371 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LAUNCHING A WEB SITE IN RESPONSE TO SCANNING OF A PRODUCT CODE" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/382,422 entitled "UNIQUE ID FOR IDENTIFYING A USER AND FACILITATING AN E-COMMERCE TRANSACTION" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/382,377 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LINKING A WEB BROWSER TO A PROMOTIONAL OFFER OVER A GLOBAL NETWORK" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/382,375 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR UTILIZING AN EXISTING PRODUCT CODE TO ISSUE A MATCH TO A PREDETERMINED LOCATION ON A GLOBAL NETWORK" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/379,699 entitled "NETWORK ROUTING UTILIZING A PRODUCT CODE" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/379,700 entitled "METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING TWO LOCATIONS OVER A NETWORK IN RESPONSE TO USING A TOOL" filed August 24, 1999; Serial No. 09/496,790 entitled "WEB SITE ACCESS BY MANUAL ENTRY OF A CHARACTER STRING INTO A SOFTWARE 30

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